

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all of the claims of the application. The status of the claims is as follows:

- Claims 1-38 were pending prior to the response.
- Claims 14-22 are canceled herein.
- Claims 37 and 38 are amended herein.
- Claims 1-13 and 23-38 remain pending in this application.

The amendments submitted are to correct typographical errors and do not introduce any new matter.

Previous Claims Rejections Under 35 USC § 101 and § 103

Applicant appreciates Examiner's withdrawal of the 35 U.S.C. § 101 and § 103 rejections set forth in the previous Office Action.

Allowed Claims

The Examiner indicates that claims 1-13 and 23-38 are allowable. Applicant thanks the Examiner for allowing claims 1-13 and 23-38 and appreciates the Examiner's assistance in advancing prosecution of the application. Applicant amends claims 37 and 38 to recite the word "and" to correct the typographical errors. Thus, Claims 1-13 and 23-38 have not been amended substantively and remain in condition for allowance.

Cited Documents

The following documents have been applied to reject one or more claims of the Application:

- **Heikes:** Heikes, et al., U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0225847
- **Danker:** Danker, et al., U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0184309
- **Hickman:** Hickman, et al., U.S. Patent No. 7,013,327
- **Dawson:** Dawson, U.S. Patent No. 6,252,588
- **Goodwin III:** Goodwin III, et al., U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0065931
- **Goldshneider:** Goldshneider, et al., U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0107925
- **Huntington:** Huntington, et al., U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0131098
- **Zhao:** Zhao, U.S. Patent No. 7,353,253.

Claims 14, 17, and 21 Are Non-Obvious Over Heikes and Danker

Claims 14, 17, and 21 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being obvious over Heikes and Danker. Applicant respectfully cancels claims 14, 17, and 21 without prejudice, waiver, or disclaimer of the subject matter. Accordingly, the rejection of claims 14, 17, and 21 is now moot.

Claims 15 and 16 Are Non-Obvious Over Heikes, Danker, and Hickman

Claims 15 and 16 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being obvious over Heikes, Danker, and Hickman. Applicant respectfully cancels claims 15

and 16 without prejudice, waiver, or disclaimer of the subject matter. Accordingly, the rejection of claims 15 and 16 is now moot.

Claims 15 and 16 Are Non-Obvious Over Heikes, Danker, and Dawson

Claims 15 and 16 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being obvious over Heikes, Danker, and Dawson. Applicant respectfully cancels claims 15 and 16 without prejudice, waiver, or disclaimer of the subject matter. Accordingly, the rejection of claims 15 and 16 is now moot.

Claim 18 Is Non-Obvious Over Heikes, Danker, and Goodwin

Claim 18 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being obvious over Heikes, Danker, and Goodwin. Applicant respectfully cancels claim 18 without prejudice, waiver, or disclaimer of the subject matter. Accordingly, the rejection of claim 18 is now moot.

Claim 19 Is Non-Obvious Over Heikes, Danker, Goldshneider, and Huntington

Claim 19 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being obvious over Heikes, Danker, Goldshneider, and Huntington. Applicant respectfully cancels claim 19 without prejudice, waiver, or disclaimer of the subject matter. Accordingly, the rejection of claim 19 is now moot.

Claim 20 Is Non-Obvious Over Heikes, Danker, Goldshneider, Huntington, and Zhao

Claim 20 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being obvious over Heikes, Danker, Goldshneider, Huntington, and Zhao. Applicant respectfully cancels claim 20 without prejudice, waiver, or disclaimer of the subject matter. Accordingly, the rejection of claim 20 is now moot.

Claim 22 Is Non-Obvious Over Heikes, Danker, and the Official Notice

Claim 22 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being obvious over Heikes, Danker, and the Official Notice. Applicant respectfully cancels claim 22 without prejudice, waiver, or disclaimer of the subject matter. Accordingly, the rejection of claim 22 is now moot.

Conclusion

For at least the foregoing reasons, all pending claims are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and prompt issuance of the application.

If any issues remain that would prevent allowance of this application, **Applicant requests that the Examiner contact the undersigned representative before issuing a subsequent Action.**

Respectfully Submitted,

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